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SKILL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE IN NER
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any initiatives in partnership with the North Eastern Region in connection with skill development;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of any skill development schemes conducted by the Government in the North Eastern Region and the results of such efforts?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) & (b): Various Ministries/Departments of the Government of India are implementing schemes for skill development in all States/Union Territories including the North Eastern Region. Some of the major schemes include Craftsmen Training Scheme, Skill Development Initiative Scheme based on Modular Employable Skills, Polytechnics, Aajeevika for BPL youth under the National Rural Livelihood Mission, Hunar Se Rozgar, Skill Training for Employment Promotion amongst Urban Poor (STEP-UP) component of the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana, etc.

(c): The Ministry of Labour and Employment is implementing a 100 per cent centrally funded scheme titled "Enhancing Skill Development Infrastructure in North Eastern States and Sikkim". The scheme envisages upgradation of ITIs and supplementing infrastructure deficiencies in ITIs in North Eastern States and Sikkim. A total of Rs.18.23 crore has been released to 6 States, namely, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Sikkim, Assam, Meghalaya and Tripura over the two years 2010-2011 and 2011-12.

The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region is also implementing a plan scheme titled "Capacity Building and Technical Assistance" which aims to provide funding for skill development, enhancing of employability and competencies and promotion of self-employment and entrepreneurship amongst youth. During the last two financial years the performance of this scheme is as under:

2010-2011		2011-12	
Financial Assistance provided	No of Trainees	Financial Assistance provided	No of Trainees
Rs.17.72 crore	Official: 840 Youth: 4,421	Rs.19.82 crore	Official: 30 Youth: 3,170